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May 22, 1981

Hon. William Casey, Director
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Dear Bill,

The lead Editorial in this morning's New York Times is an outrage. I find no way to justify the unfair slanderous innuendo that the Editorial contains and feel that it is a direct insult to you, Max Hugel and to our President.

Many moons have come and gone since the Becton, Dickinson/Univis days, but I want you to know that I have complete and absolute confidence in your judgment and your ability and back your choice of Max Hugel in every way.

It so happens that I have worked closely with Max through his postwar business life, first as Chief Executive of Brother International Corporation in New York, and later as Vice President of Centronics Data Computer Corp. of Hudson, New Hampshire.

Throughout that extensive period of time, I have conducted litigations on behalf of his companies before the Tariff Commission, the International Trade Commission, and the United States Courts. In connection with such litigation, it has been necessary for me to work closely and intimately with Max and to learn the details of his management of both companies. I have found him to be highly intelligent and an able administrator possessing great integrity and courage. I would feel that he was superbly suited to a job such as you have asked him to undertake. I congratulate you on your choice and urge you to stick by your guns.

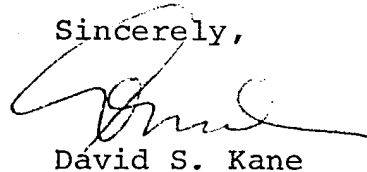
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Hon. William Casey, Director

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With every good wish for success in your task, which I am
sure entails great personal sacrifice,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'David S. Kane', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Hon. Max Hugel
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Dear Max,

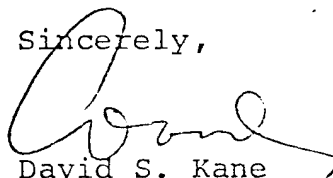
The lead Editorial in this morning's New York Times is outrageous and has left me in a state of shock. I am well aware of the general attitude of the media, including particularly the press, to take potshots at the Reagan Administration at every opportunity.

This especially vicious attack on you with its reflection on Bill Casey in selecting you has prompted my letter to Bill Casey, a copy of which is enclosed. I am also writing to The New York Times, but realize that such a letter will get short shrift and I will be lucky if it ever sees the light of day in print.

Meanwhile, Max, take good care of yourself. I wondered where you had gone to, although I was aware of the important role you played in the Presidential Election Campaign.

Let me hear from you when you get a chance. Meanwhile, all the best -

Sincerely,



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A. THOMAS KAMMER
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Mr. Max Frankel
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The New York Times
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Dear Sir:


The lead Editorial in the Friday, May 22 edition of The New York Times is to me an outrageous character assassination of an able, dedicated citizen, who is giving of his time and energy in the service of his country, at what I am sure is a great personal sacrifice.

It has been my privilege to know and work closely with Max Hugel during the greater part of his postwar business career. During the time that I have worked with Mr. Hugel, I have conducted a number of significant lawsuits on behalf of companies in which he has occupied a leadership position in management, which have necessitated my working closely with him in the planning, preparation and trial of such lawsuits.

I have found Mr. Hugel to be highly intelligent, imaginative and courageous in the execution of his responsibilities in the companies he has been associated with. He possesses great integrity, is extremely perceptive and has demonstrated great talent as an administrator and leader. In addition, Mr. Hugel has engaged extensively in international business, both in Europe and the Far East, and has travelled repeatedly throughout Europe and The Orient.

I am not at all familiar with the details of his present assignment, and for that matter, I have not had any contact with him in recent years, but I am confident that Mr. Casey made an excellent choice in choosing Max Hugel for a leadership position in the Central Intelligence Agency and commend him in so doing.

Sincerely,


David S. Kane

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